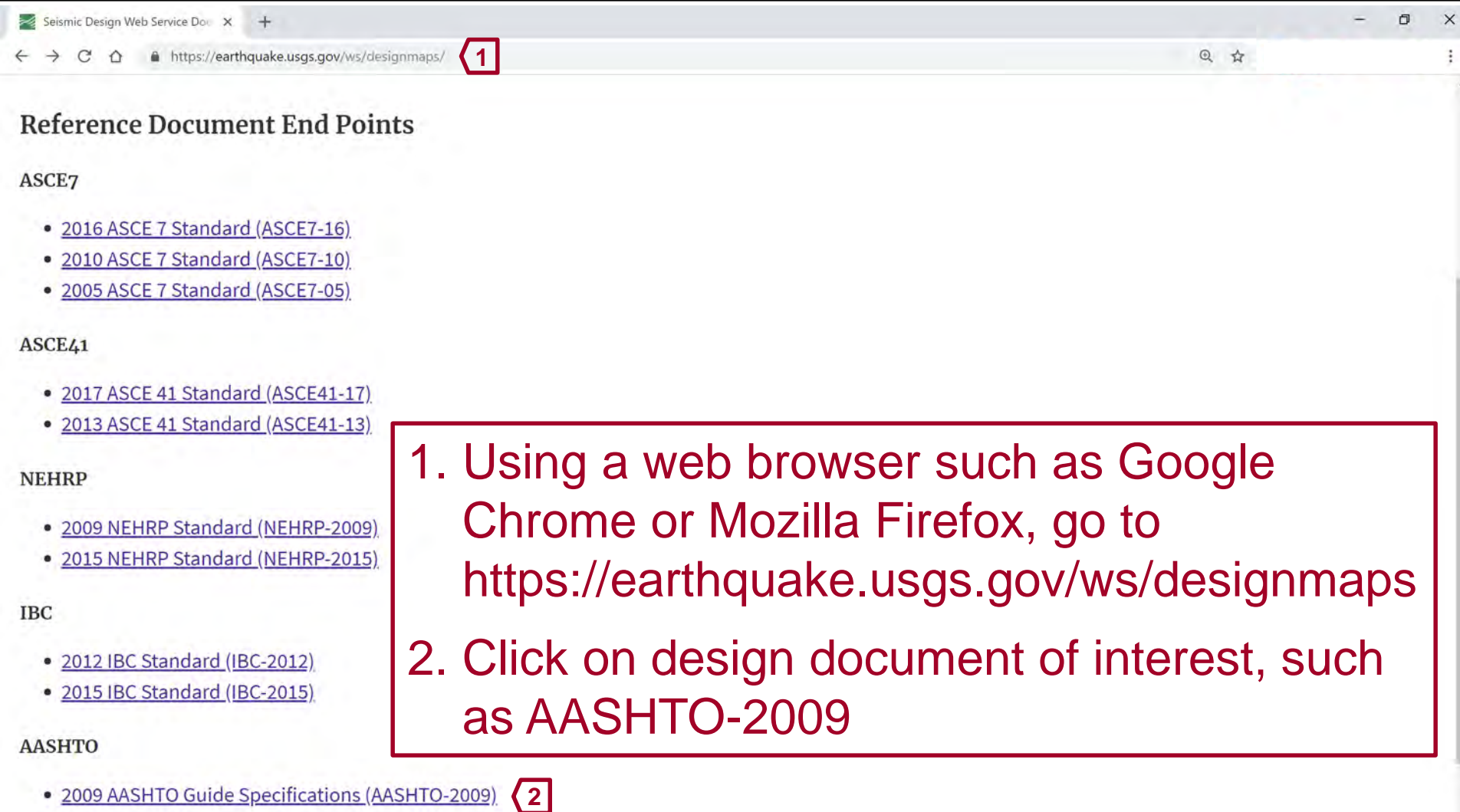


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Reference Document End Points

ASCE7

- [2016 ASCE 7 Standard \(ASCE7-16\)](#).
- [2010 ASCE 7 Standard \(ASCE7-10\)](#).
- [2005 ASCE 7 Standard \(ASCE7-05\)](#).

ASCE41

- [2017 ASCE 41 Standard \(ASCE41-17\)](#).
- [2013 ASCE 41 Standard \(ASCE41-13\)](#).

NEHRP

- [2009 NEHRP Standard \(NEHRP-2009\)](#).
- [2015 NEHRP Standard \(NEHRP-2015\)](#).

IBC

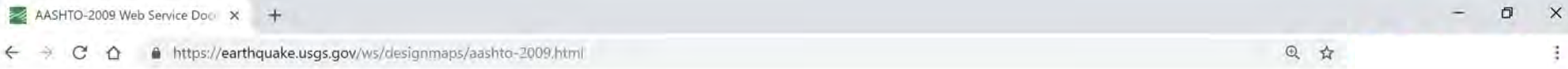
- [2012 IBC Standard \(IBC-2012\)](#).
- [2015 IBC Standard \(IBC-2015\)](#).

AASHTO

- [2009 AASHTO Guide Specifications \(AASHTO-2009\)](#) **2**

1. Using a web browser such as Google Chrome or Mozilla Firefox, go to <https://earthquake.usgs.gov/ws/designmaps>
2. Click on design document of interest, such as AASHTO-2009

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Example **3**

Request

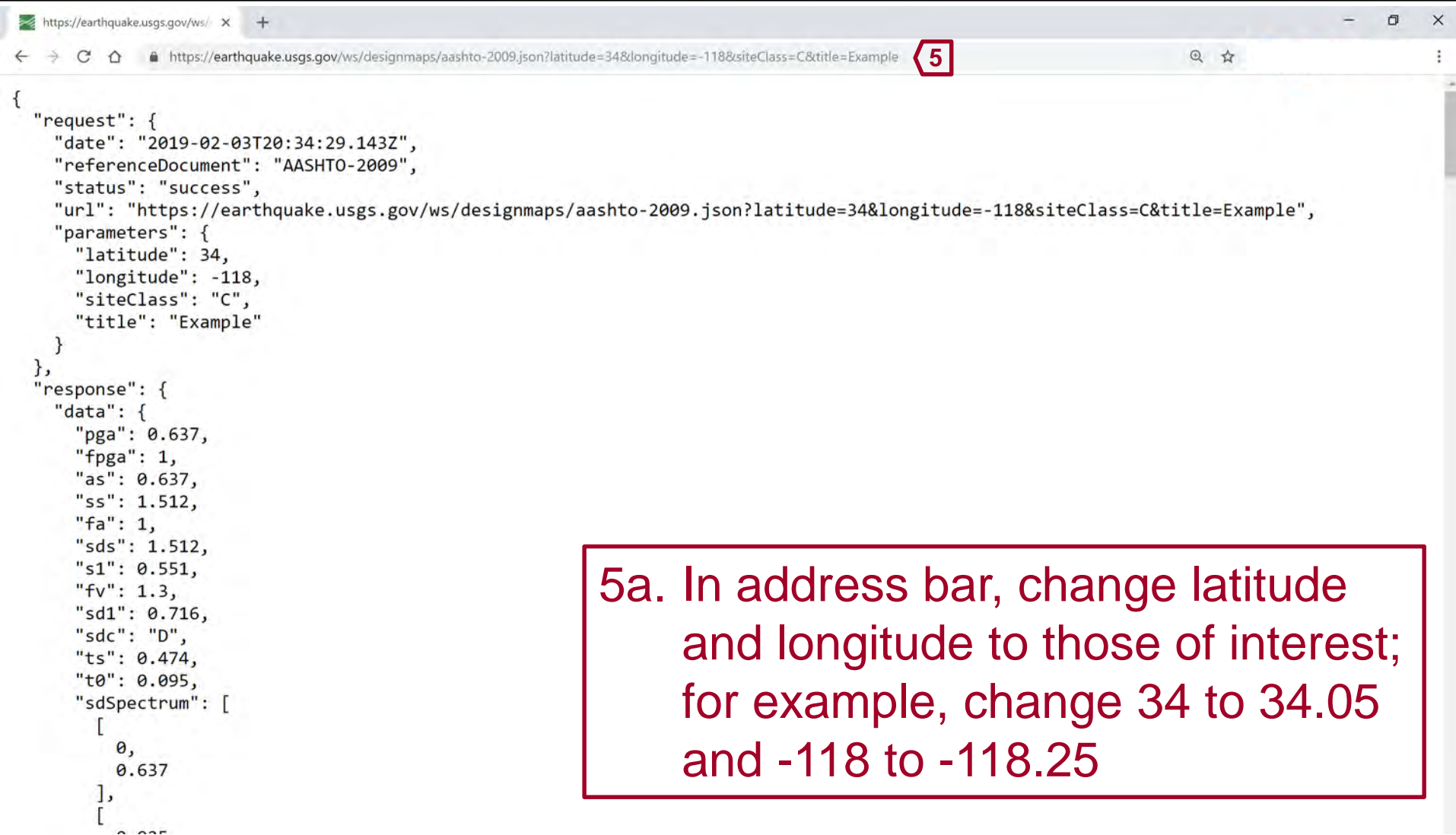
<https://earthquake.usgs.gov/ws/designmaps/aashto-2009.json?latitude=34&longitude=-118&siteClass=C&title=Example> **4**

Response

```
{
  "request": {
    "date": "2018-06-03T00:50:52.810Z",
    "referenceDocument": "AASHTO-2009",
    "status": "success",
    "url": "https://earthquake.usgs.gov/ws/designmaps/aashto-2009.json?latitude=34&longitude=-118&siteClass=C&title=Example",
    "parameters": {
      "latitude": 34,
      "longitude": -118,
      "siteClass": "C",
      "title": "Example"
    }
  },
  "response": {
    "data": {
```

3. Scroll down to Example
4. Click on example request

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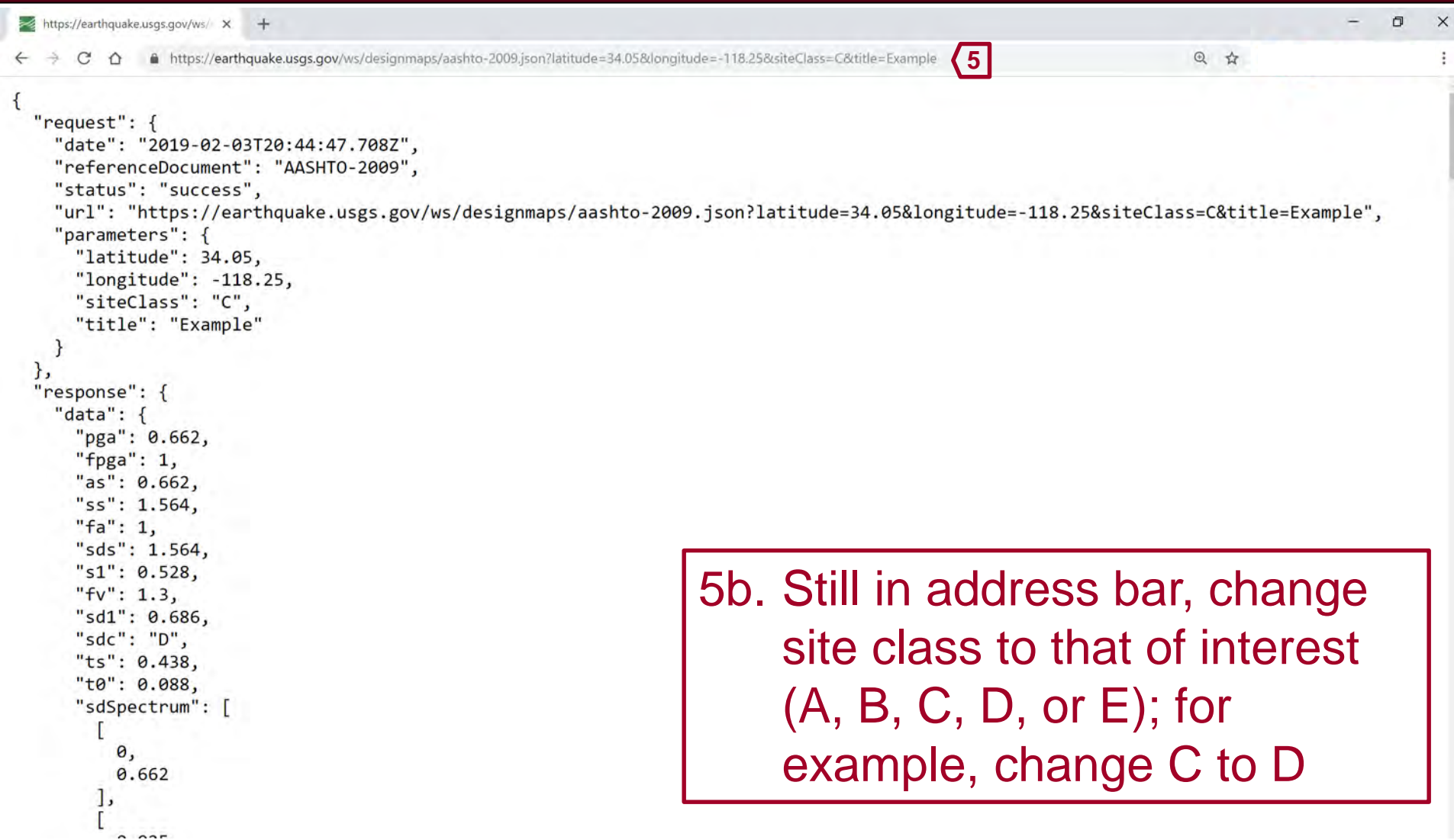


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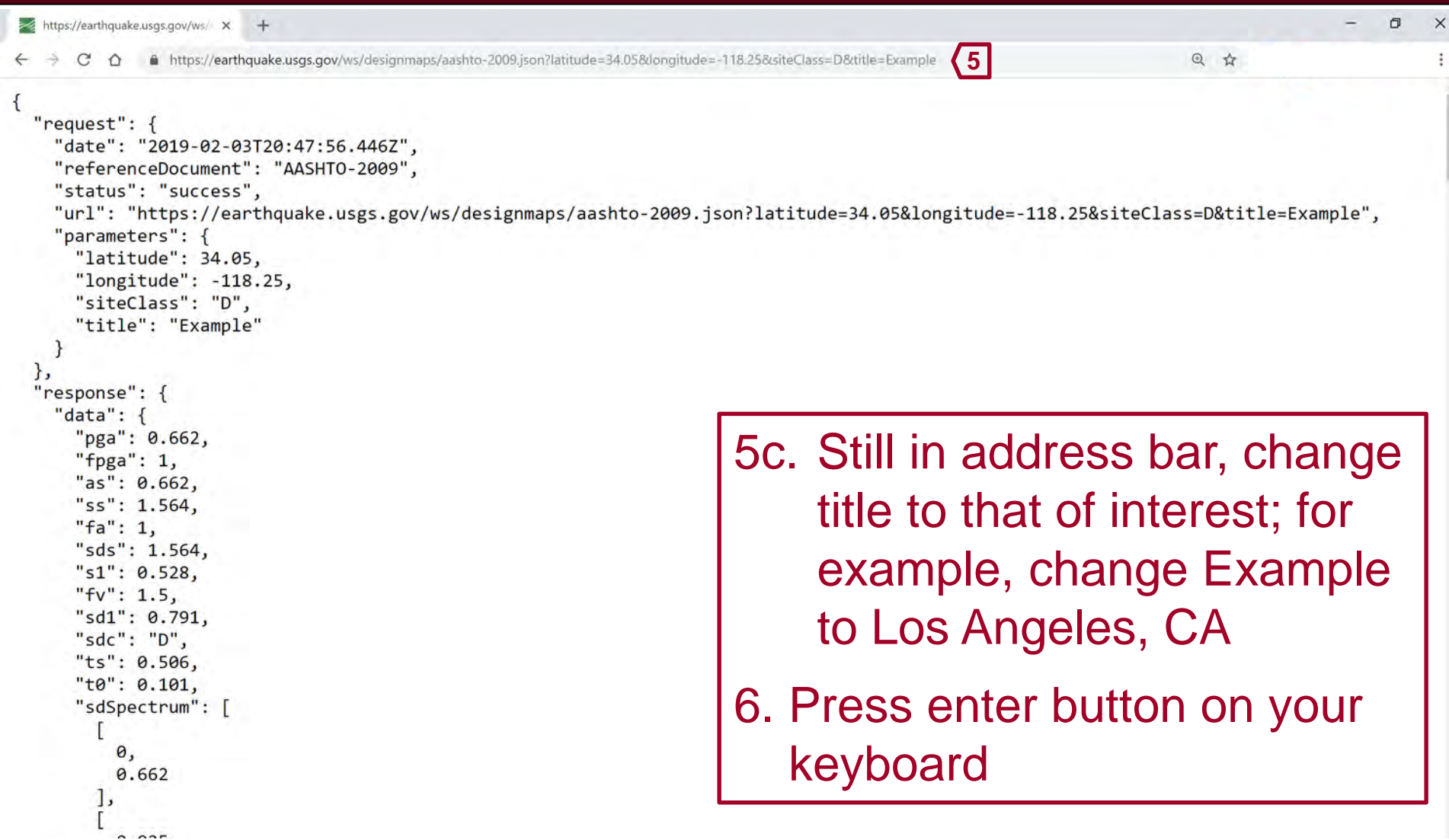
```
{
  "request": {
    "date": "2019-02-03T20:34:29.143Z",
    "referenceDocument": "AASHTO-2009",
    "status": "success",
    "url": "https://earthquake.usgs.gov/ws/designmaps/aashto-2009.json?latitude=34&longitude=-118&siteClass=C&title=Example",
    "parameters": {
      "latitude": 34,
      "longitude": -118,
      "siteClass": "C",
      "title": "Example"
    }
  },
  "response": {
    "data": {
      "pga": 0.637,
      "fpga": 1,
      "as": 0.637,
      "ss": 1.512,
      "fa": 1,
      "sds": 1.512,
      "s1": 0.551,
      "fv": 1.3,
      "sd1": 0.716,
      "sdc": "D",
      "ts": 0.474,
      "t0": 0.095,
      "sdSpectrum": [
        [
          0,
          0.637
        ],
        [
          0.035,
          0.637
        ]
      ]
    }
  }
}
```

5a. In address bar, change latitude and longitude to those of interest; for example, change 34 to 34.05 and -118 to -118.25

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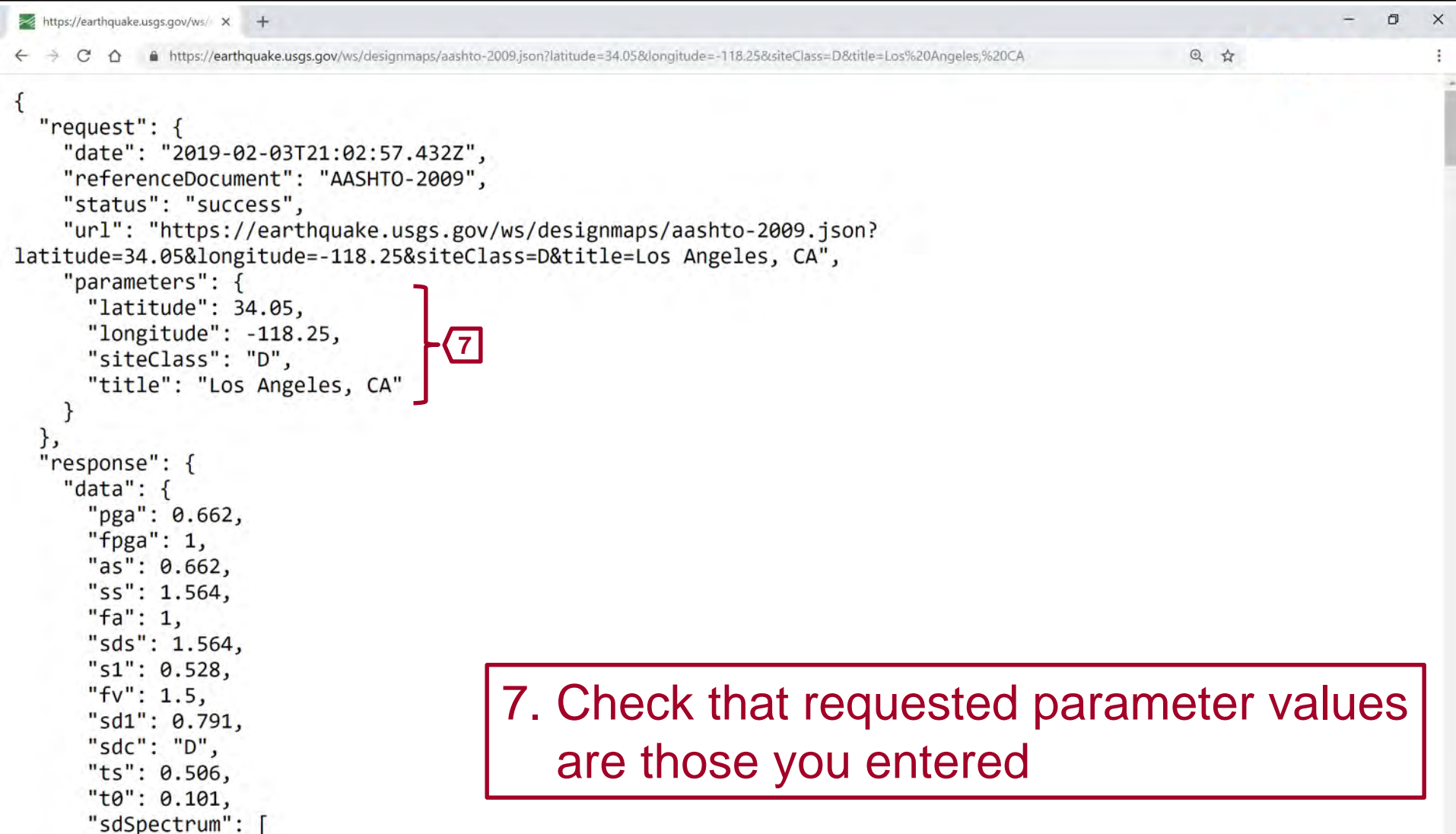
5

```
{
  "request": {
    "date": "2019-02-03T20:47:56.446Z",
    "referenceDocument": "AASHTO-2009",
    "status": "success",
    "url": "https://earthquake.usgs.gov/ws/designmaps/aashto-2009.json?latitude=34.05&longitude=-118.25&siteClass=D&title=Example",
    "parameters": {
      "latitude": 34.05,
      "longitude": -118.25,
      "siteClass": "D",
      "title": "Example"
    }
  },
  "response": {
    "data": {
      "pga": 0.662,
      "fpga": 1,
      "as": 0.662,
      "ss": 1.564,
      "fa": 1,
      "sds": 1.564,
      "s1": 0.528,
      "fv": 1.5,
      "sd1": 0.791,
      "sdc": "D",
      "ts": 0.506,
      "t0": 0.101,
      "sdSpectrum": [
        0,
        0.662
      ],
      [
        0.025
      ]
    }
  }
}
```

5c. Still in address bar, change title to that of interest; for example, change Example to Los Angeles, CA

6. Press enter button on your keyboard

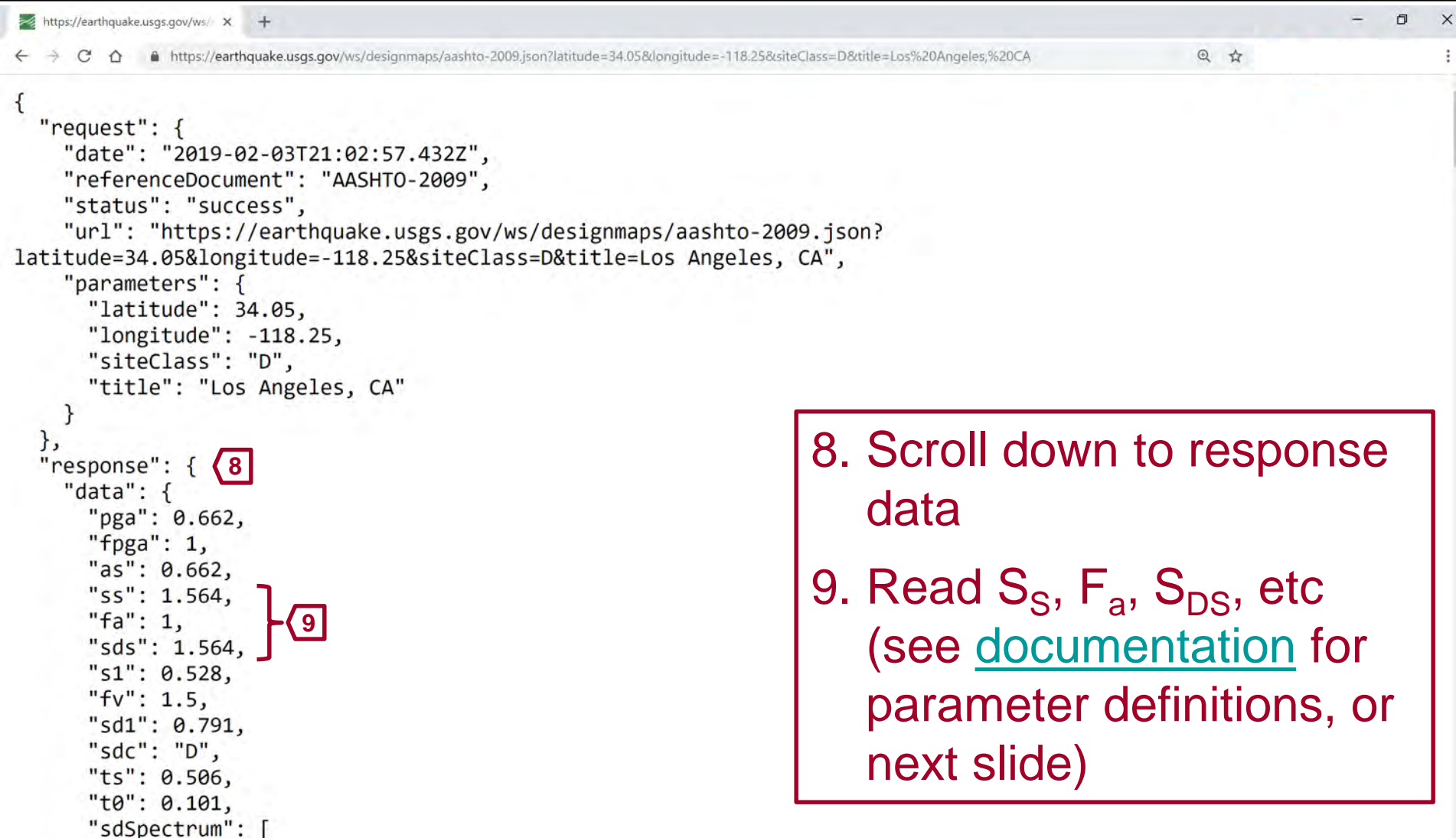
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```
{
  "request": {
    "date": "2019-02-03T21:02:57.432Z",
    "referenceDocument": "AASHTO-2009",
    "status": "success",
    "url": "https://earthquake.usgs.gov/ws/designmaps/aashto-2009.json?latitude=34.05&longitude=-118.25&siteClass=D&title=Los Angeles, CA",
    "parameters": {
      "latitude": 34.05,
      "longitude": -118.25,
      "siteClass": "D",
      "title": "Los Angeles, CA"
    }
  },
  "response": {
    "data": {
      "pga": 0.662,
      "fpga": 1,
      "as": 0.662,
      "ss": 1.564,
      "fa": 1,
      "sds": 1.564,
      "s1": 0.528,
      "fv": 1.5,
      "sd1": 0.791,
      "sdc": "D",
      "ts": 0.506,
      "t0": 0.101,
      "sdSpectrum": [
```

7. Check that requested parameter values are those you entered

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```
{
  "request": {
    "date": "2019-02-03T21:02:57.432Z",
    "referenceDocument": "AASHTO-2009",
    "status": "success",
    "url": "https://earthquake.usgs.gov/ws/designmaps/aashto-2009.json?latitude=34.05&longitude=-118.25&siteClass=D&title=Los Angeles, CA",
    "parameters": {
      "latitude": 34.05,
      "longitude": -118.25,
      "siteClass": "D",
      "title": "Los Angeles, CA"
    }
  },
  "response": {
    "data": {
      "pga": 0.662,
      "fpga": 1,
      "as": 0.662,
      "ss": 1.564,
      "fa": 1,
      "sds": 1.564,
      "s1": 0.528,
      "fv": 1.5,
      "sd1": 0.791,
      "sdc": "D",
      "ts": 0.506,
      "t0": 0.101,
      "sdSpectrum": [
```

8. Scroll down to response data

9. Read S_s , F_a , S_{DS} , etc (see [documentation](#) for parameter definitions, or next slide)

Parameter Definitions

response	
data	
pga	PGA, the mapped horizontal Peak Ground Acceleration, in units of g
fpga	F_{PGA} , the site coefficient for PGA, from Table 3.4.2.3-1 of the seismic design reference document
as	$A_S = F_{PGA} \times PGA$ (Equation 3.4.1-1), the design peak ground acceleration, in units of g
ss	S_S , the mapped short-period (0.2-second) spectral acceleration, in units of g
fa	F_a , the site coefficient for S_S , from Table 3.4.2.3-1
sds	$S_{DS} = F_a \times S_S$ (Equation 3.4.1-2), the design short-period (0.2-second) spectral acceleration, in units of g
s1	S_1 , the mapped 1-second spectral acceleration, in units of g
fv	F_v , the site coefficient for S_1 , from Table 3.4.2.3-2
sd1	$S_{D1} = F_v \times S_1$ (Equation 3.4.1-3), the design 1-second spectral acceleration, in units of g
sdc	SDC, the Seismic Design Category from Table 3.5-1
ts	$T_S = S_{D1} / S_{DS}$ (Equation 3.4.1-6), in seconds, for construction of design response spectrum
t0	$T_0 = 0.2T_S$ (Equation 3.4.1-5), in seconds, for construction of design response spectrum
sdSpectrum	S_a , the design response spectrum from Figure 3.4.1-1 and Equation 3.4.1-4